

What you **ARE** is far more important than **WHAT** you do.  
 What you **ARE** determines **WHAT** you do.

The new plan is the **NEW PERSON!**

**Spiritual Secret #1**  
 Matthew 5:3  
 "Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
 for theirs is The Kingdom of Heaven..."

**Spiritual Secret #2**  
 Matthew 5:4  
 "Blessed are those who mourn,  
 for they will be comforted."

**Spiritual Secret #2**

A. Misconceptions	4 TYPES OF SORROW
B. Mourn	1. Sorrow or bereavement
• "Pentheo"	2. Un-natural Sorrow
• 1. Lament	3. Social sins
• 2. Sorrow	4. Personal sins

**Spiritual Secret #2**

C. How do we mourn properly?

1. See our object spiritual poverty (Matthew 5:3)
2. See the holiness of God
 

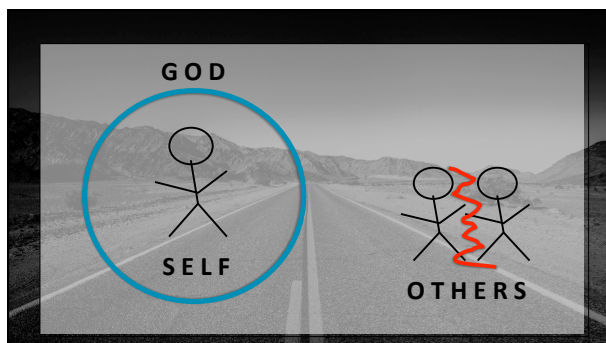
Moses	→	Exodus 3:6
Job	→	Job 42:5-6
Isaiah	→	Isaiah 6:5
Ezekiel	→	Ezekiel 1:28

**A low view of God  
will always produce a  
low view of sin.**

**Spiritual Secret #2**  
**SEE OUR SIN!**  
A. Fact of sin:  
• Psalm 14:1-3  
• Isaiah 53:6  
• Romans 3:23

**Spiritual Secret #2**  
**SEE OUR SIN!**  
B. Nature of sin:  
• The Standard  
• "You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect." (Matthew 5:48)

**Spiritual Secret #2**  
**SEE OUR SIN!**  
C. Consequences of sin:  
• Cut off from God (Isaiah 59:1-2 & Romans 6:23)  
• Bondage to self (Mark 7:21-23 & Galatians 5:19-21)  
• Conflicts with others



**Spiritual Secret #2**  
**REPENTANCE**  
We Often:  
• Deny sin exists  
• Try to change ourselves  
• Admit need – then despair  
• See our need – and turn to God

Men do as they do  
because.....  
they are what they are!

**REPENTANCE IS:**

- Proper judgment about self (Luke 18:11ff)
- Admitting our failures
- Admitting our inability to live like Christ wants us to....
- Brokenness (Psalm 51:17)
- "Constructive sorrow" (II Corinthians 7:8-10)

We must be  
**SORRY**  
for our sin...  
**SORRY**  
enough to QUIT

The Prodigal Son...

Mourned → Confessed → Forgiven → Comforted

**REPENT**  
and keep on repenting!

James 4:8-10

**Spiritual Secret #2**

"WILL BE COMFORTED"

A. From knowing Jesus

B. From The Bible

- Romans 15:4
- John 8:11

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"WILL BE COMFORTED"

C. From The Holy Spirit

- John 14:16, 26
- II Corinthians 1:3-4
- Philippians 4:15

D. Through His People

